



VIRGINIA PAVING COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE

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Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
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Woodbridge, Virginia 22193

Sent via regular mail and e-mail: akhalilzadeh@deq.virginia.gov

Re: Draft Permit for Virginia Paving Company, Alexandria, Virginia, Registration No. 70579

Dear Mr. Khalilzadeh,

I am writing on behalf of the Virginia Paving Community Liaison Committee in regard to the application for an amendment to Virginia Paving's minor new source review permit allowing the Alexandria facility to modify and operate one of the two hot mix asphalt plants.

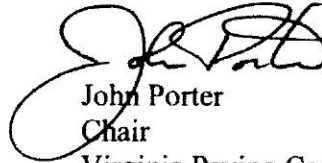
The proposed amendment to the air permit would allow Virginia Paving Company to operate Plant 1 with a low NOx burner, allow both plants to use natural gas as well as recycled/waste oil and distillate fuel oil, and sets emission limits based on stack tests conducted at the facility.

The Virginia Paving Community Liaison Committee consists of 11 members appointed by the Mayor and Alexandria City Council to discuss plant operations and to resolve any problems, conflicts or issues identified by the community related to Virginia Paving's operations at their location on Courtney Avenue in the City of Alexandria. The committee meets quarterly and is composed of representatives from surrounding residential communities, the Virginia Paving Company, and City Staff.

At its meeting on November 19, 2009, the Committee discussed Virginia Paving's request to use natural gas for their operations. Committee members unanimously support the use of natural gas for this facility and asked that I send a letter of support to the VDEQ. The Committee supports the request for the use of natural gas because we believe that it will result in a cleaner operation of the plant with less impact to the surrounding community. This letter reiterates the position that this committee took in 2008 and sent to you by previous letter dated August 13, 2008. As we understand it, no decision has been made.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this request. Should you have any questions related to this matter, please don't hesitate to contact me. My email address is john.porter@actforalexandria.org

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Porter", is positioned above the printed name.

John Porter
Chair

Virginia Paving Community Liaison Committee

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